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**HOW ABOUT THE CONTRACT**

It is apparent that there exists a dispute concerning the efficiency and need for the work of a county agent and those associated in the efforts of the department of agriculture to improve farming conditions, so far as Malheur county is concerned.

Strictly speaking this is a matter for the farmers themselves to decide. It is not a question upon which the ordinary business or professional man is in a position to determine of his own knowledge; yet he as a tax payer is of course interested; and his benefits from such service come indirectly through the increased prosperity and happiness of his farmer customers.

Certainly there should be some manner of determining whether or not the farmers want this service. The County court and all those connected with the service believed when the appropriation was made for the service that the farmers wanted it.

There was nothing else for them to do but to believe it. They had before them a large group of farmers requesting that the co-operation desired by the Federal Department and the Extension agents of O. A. C. be granted. These farmers were taxpayers, just as are those who would abolish the service, and apparently at that time, at least those who asked the service represented the desires of the people. There was no protest against the service. No one of those who declare now they do not want it appeared before the court then.

It might be pertinent to ask: "How is the county court to know what the people want when one group appears and another does not?" If the county court were endowed with a sixth sense and could read the minds of the majority and know what each one thinks, perhaps then it could always act just as the majority want; but when one group takes so slight an interest in public

affairs that it makes no showing of its desire at the proper time; it is hard to see where it has a just cause for complaint if its will is not followed.

Upon the showing of those who asked, this service the County Court entered into a contract with the Federal Department of Agriculture and the Extension Service of O. A. C. for a definite service. Based on that contract definite contracts have been made by the proper authorities for the services of two men, and work has been undertaken. The question is then what is to be done about these contracts? Is Malheur County to break them; and if so, is it to be supposed that the federal department will permit that to be done without recourse to the law? If it would do so, then the entire foundation for the service, not only in Malheur county but in every county in the Union would be destroyed. If the validity of the contract is questioned who is to pay the costs of the action?

Irrespective of the benefits of the County Agent the question of breaking this contract is the first thing that must be settled. And before that is attempted those who believe in the benefits of the service just as honestly as do those who oppose it ought to be heard. There are two sides to the question.

The time to decide whether or not the people want this service is when the budget is prepared and the hearings upon the same are held. Those who are advising the petitioners know this, and that gives rise to the very logical belief that it is not the County Agent alone that the men behind the petition movement want to get.

**GOING TOO FAR**

It is time that the business men down at Weiser awake to the fact that they have gone a bit too far in their efforts to halt the development of the Oregon country on the West side of Snake river opposite their town.

In a word, it would be well for Weiser folks to do something toward getting an adequate highway system in Idaho, and leave Oregon to solve its own road problems. Idaho has not been so markedly successful in its efforts to build roads that it can with very good grace attempt to tell the Oregon Highway Commission, or anyone else how to proceed with such efforts.

And while they are about it, the Weiser business men might learn that while they are endeavoring to injure the ranchers on Dead Ox Flat who have fought for this road, and whose auto licenses go to aid in paying for its construction, who voted the bonds on the county to further assist in this effort, that the recent action on their part of dumping some two-hundred loads of garbage on the Oregon side of the river is not very decent to say the least.

Over here we have paid little attention to the abortive efforts of the Weiserites to interfere in a matter that was none of their concern; but there is a limit; and they have about reached it. It is high time that those of the Weiser business men who realize that the action of some self constituted representatives of their city is out of place assert themselves and put their community in a proper light. They cannot afford, we believe, in letting a clique use their position to the injury of the entire community.

By the development of lower Dead Ox Flat through the building of Old Oregon Trail highway Weiser is bound to benefit; perhaps as much as any community; for there is a good road leading to it from Weiser, and Weiser must learn that the people of Oregon do not intend that they shall use this state for a dumping ground and submit to dictation from those who thus injure us.

**KINGMAN KOLONY**

John Vanderpool spent Sunday with his young son Kenneth in the J. K. Bullard home at Arcadia.

The Big Bend Park Association has added a new piano to the many improvements.

Little Miss Opal Powell celebrated her fifth birthday anniversary last week. The evening was spent in dancing and music.

Rev. Blom of Ontario preached to a large congregation Sunday afternoon at the school house.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Walters of Nyssa called at the E. F. Pratt ranch Wednesday.

The pig club met with their leader at the school house Tuesday afternoon to make plans for the summer work.

Mr. Harry McGary is reported ill this week.

The sewing class with a membership of eight meets Friday of every week immediately after school at the Kolony school house. Three members are taking the second year work, Mildred DeBord, Mary McGinnis and Cora Elliott. Five are taking first year work, Gladys McGinnis, Jaunita Martin, Christina Christensen, Luella and Lena Shuler.

The water users under the Kingman Kolony Irrigation system have pretty generally responded to the call for help in cleaning ditches and going over pumps and everything is in readiness to turn the water in the canals this week.

The ditch rider, Mr. Blocks has moved into the Company residence adjoining the pump house.

The hay on the Powell ranch was baled and shipped the past week, the Nelson baler doing the work.

Mrs. Fred Powell, who has not been in good health the past winter accompanied by her daughter, went to Weiser, Idaho, the past week to consult a physician.

The Y. P. Class held a business session Friday evening after which music, and later a candy pull planned by the leader Mrs. M. Greeling and the president Mrs. Elsie Elliott, were enjoyed by all present.

The regular meeting of the P. T. A., is May 6th at 2:30 P. M. at the Kolony school house. Keep this date in mind. The work for the year is closed at this meeting.

The Kolony P. T. A. will have a good representation at the County Council at Nyssa, April 30th, being entitled to four delegates. The delegates appointed are, Mrs. M. M. Greeling, Mrs. F. L. DeBord, Mrs. R. R. Overstreet and M. L. Parsons. Mr. Parsons speaks before the Council on first and second year high school work in the rural school.

**DREWSEY**

B. E. Dunten and wife were visitors at the August Muller ranch the past week.

Arch Myers was a business visitor at Vale and Ontario this week.

Melvine Acton went to Riverside this week to do some carpenter work for his brother Orin Acton.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Chambers Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Embree, Melvina Acton and Mrs. Cora Gregory took a picnic dinner to the Warm-springs Dam last Sunday. They report a fine time but rather rough roads from Drewsey to the dam.

Don Baker and his Vaguerros have been camped at the Drewsey field.

Mrs. Lew Hess has accepted a position at the Milt Davis home for the summer.

Lester Mc Mullen and his crew of road workers have been busy on the roads. They are very much improved.

Jeff Canfield was a visitor at the B. E. Dunten ranch this week.

Brod Mofo has built a new road out from his ranch above the A. L. Johnson ranch.

Miss Lola Dunten and Miss Laura Brooks were Drewsey visitors Saturday.

Miss Greta Anderson came up from Ontario to visit at her home on Wolf Creek above Drewsey.

W. D. Baker went to Riverside to install the old Drewsey telephone again and to fix up the lines in good shape.

Beau Moffett who has been sick at the Lamb Ranch with the mumps was brought to Drewsey this week. He is reported improving.

H. N. Bane and family went up to their home above the Mill Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Sitz visited at the Harry Clark home Sunday.

C. N. Drinkwater and wife were Milldale visitors this past week.

Miss Beatrice Baker is visiting friends at Milldale this week.

A large crowd attended the hard time dance at Drewsey last Saturday evening.

Mrs. Jack Drewett is confined to her home with the mumps.

**PIANO TUNING**

Reference—Mrs. Cox, Mrs. Aiken, Mrs. Breithaupt, Mrs. Gallagher, Mrs. Maxon, Mrs. Laxon, Mrs. Luehrs, Mrs. Castelman Rev. Luscombe and many others in this city. Please leave orders with Mrs. Cox or Mrs. Aiken. L. N. Hockett, Weiser, Idaho. 19-20-p.

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All family washings taken Monday or Tuesday afternoons will be returned Friday and Saturday of the same week, and charged at our regular rates. Those taken Wednesday afternoon or later will remain in our plant over Sunday and be charged at the reduced rate.

**REGULAR DELIVERY SCHEDULE:**

South of Hospital Road, Terrace Heights and Villa Park,  
Gather Saturday afternoon—Deliver Thursday morning  
Central part of City and Business District,  
Gather Wednesday afternoon—Deliver Monday morning.  
East Side and Riverside Addition,  
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**Don't Let Mother Know This Secret**

Your Mother has heard, no doubt, of the Mothers' Day Club, but she has no idea whether you are one of the members. But a great many Mothers are wondering.

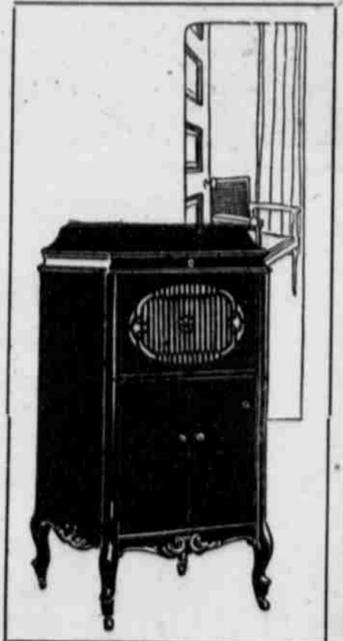
We don't intend to give the secret away here. A good many sons and daughters now belong to the Mothers' Day Club and are preparing to give their Mothers a big surprise.

Mothers' Day Club is a Brunswick idea, a happy conception, and one you'll be delighted with, once you come in and learn the details.

It all centers around a surprise for Mother and an easy way for you to give her that surprise.

It includes numerous features aside from presenting her with a wonderful Brunswick and a special collection of Records.

To take part in the advantages of Mothers' Day Club, the first step is to ascertain the details—the secrets we can't publish. As the time is short, we suggest an early visit.



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**ANNOUNCEMENT**

DOCTOR J. C. WOODWARD, O C U L I S T, WOODWARD BUILDING, PAYETTE, IDAHO desires to announce that he will be at his office every afternoon for the purpose of FITTING GLASSES. Arrangements may be made for evening appointments. Eyes will be examined FREE OF CHARGE. Office equipment includes every modern instrument. FIT and SATISFACTION guaranteed.



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